

# Prescribed Fire Training Center

## 2015 Agency Administrators Workshop for Prescribed Fire October 29 - November 3, 2014

*"The 'hands on' is what sets this training apart. A week well spent for this line officer."*

*Marie-Louise Smith, Deputy Forest Supervisor  
US Forest Service  
2012*



### Course Objectives

**This Workshop is based on a flexible curriculum reflective of the participant's expectations and needs.** Using classroom presentations, group and field exercises, participants will cover these primary Workshop core elements: Program Management, Risk Management, and Burn Plans.

Upon completion of this Workshop the Agency Administrator will:

- Demonstrate the knowledge and confidence necessary to grow or sustain a safe and successful prescribed fire program.
- Demonstrate an understanding of national policy, Agency Administrator responsibility, accountability, and authority to approve all prescribed fire management actions.
- Identify the principles, policies and procedures to effectively provide oversight for a prescribed fire management program.

For Forest Service participants, this Workshop meets FSM 5140 requirements to approve Prescribed Fire Burn Plans.

For Fish and Wildlife Service participants, with concurrence from the Regional Fire Management Coordinator, this Workshop meets the attendance necessary to develop and maintain a Fire Management Plan.

#### Prescribed Fire Program Management:

- Risk Management
- Overcoming Constraints
- Escapes (Protocol and Policy)
- Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)
- Successful Programs
- Air Quality and Smoke Management
- Budget

#### Planning:

- Land Management Plans
- Fire Management Plans
- Burn Plans
- Landscape Application
- Program Monitoring, Review and Approval

#### Leadership:

- Accountability and Oversight
- Partnerships

### Cost and Requirements

There is no tuition. All costs for travel, per diem, salary and overtime will be the responsibility of the sending unit. PFTC will provide all transportation during the workshop.

Application Deadline  
September 10, 2014

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[www.fws.gov/fire/pftc/  
training\\_opportunities.shtml](http://www.fws.gov/fire/pftc/training_opportunities.shtml)

Arrival and Departure  
will be from Florida  
Location to be Determined

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## Classroom Presentations

A combination of sand table exercises, formal presentations and discussions set the stage for field exercises and challenge the participants to evaluate their individual program

The Workshop includes interaction with active federal and state prescribed fire programs. The selected Workshop start/end point will be near a major Florida jetport to be determined at a later date.

## Field Exercises

Hands on prescribed fire projects conducted according to agency policy



## Informal Group Discussions

The informal venue allows for additional interaction to meet participant expectations

## One-on-One Mentoring and Discussion

One of the unique opportunities provided by this Workshop is a high level of individual interaction between mentors, instructors, and workshop participants



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## 2015 Agency Administrators Workshop for Prescribed Fire Cadre Members

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*"If there is a secret, executive level list  
of best federal courses this (Workshop)  
should be on it!"*

Drew Milroy  
Natural Res. Mgr. - US Air Force  
2004

### Participants' Perspectives...

*"This is an excellent training. It provides the  
content to help any line officer develop a  
high level of competency in overseeing a solid  
burn program."*

Macario Herrera  
District Ranger - US Forest Service  
2014